

FISCAL NOTE

HJR 68

February 23, 2005

SUMMARY OF BILL: Proposes to amend Article II, Section 18 of the Tennessee Constitution to require a two-thirds vote of the House of Representatives and a two-thirds vote of the Senate to approve any bill that proposes to raise the rate of sales tax, or alternatively, a constitutional majority for such bill in two consecutive general assemblies.

The foregoing amendment shall be referred to the 105th General Assembly and this resolution proposing such amendment be published by the Secretary of State in accordance with Article XI, Section 3, of the Constitution of Tennessee.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

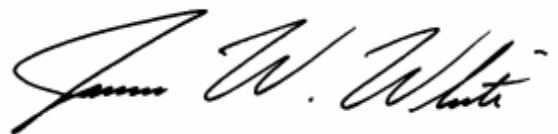
Increase State Expenditures – \$20,000 One-Time

Assumptions:

- A one-time cost of \$20,000 to the Secretary of State to print notice of the proposed amendment in certain newspapers as required by this resolution.
- Article XI, Section 3 of the Constitution requires publication of the resolution before the next legislative election. This publication would occur in the spring of 2006.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James W. White". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "James" written in a smaller, more compact script than the last name "White".

James W. White, Executive Director